The State of New York has designated the following dates as holidays in 2017:

New Year’s Day (Observed) Monday January 2, 2017
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Monday January 16, 2017
Lincoln’s Birthday (Observed) Monday February 13, 2017
Washington’s Birthday (Observed)* Monday February 20, 2017
Memorial Day Monday May 29, 2017
Independence Day Tuesday July 4, 2017
Labor Day Monday September 4, 2017
Columbus Day Monday October 9, 2017
Election Day Tuesday November 7, 2017
Veterans’ Day Saturday November 11, 2017
Thanksgiving Day Thursday November 23, 2017
Christmas Day Monday December 25, 2017

* Also known as President’s Day

The State has designated Lincoln’s Birthday, Monday February 13, 2017 as a floating holiday. Inasmuch as the State has not yet designated a second floating holiday for 2017, the campus has tentatively designated Election Day, Tuesday, November 7, 2017 as a floating holiday for M/C, CSEA and PEF employees until further notice. Downstate is open for business as usual on these dates. We will notify you if there is a change in designation of the Election Day observance. Eligible part-time employees are credited with a floating holiday if they are regularly scheduled to work or are directed to work on February 13, 2017 or November 7, 2017.

Under the NYS Department of Civil Service – Time and Attendance Rules, when a holiday falls on a Sunday (i.e. New Year’s Day and Lincoln’s Birthday) it is to be observed the following Monday. Accordingly, New Year’s Day will be observed on Monday, January 2, 2017 and Lincoln’s Birthday will be observed on Monday, February 13, 2017.

M/C, CSEA and PEF employees eligible to observe holidays will receive compensatory time off for holidays scheduled on a pass day or Saturday (i.e. Veterans’ Day) if they are not assigned to work. CSEA and PEF employees who are eligible to observe holidays and are required to work on a holiday will receive additional compensation, or, if they have elected to waive such additional compensation, compensatory time off. M/C employees eligible to observe holidays who are required to work on a holiday will receive a compensatory day off.

Compensatory days off shall be subject to applicable rules governing the granting of annual leave, and, where specified by the applicable collective bargaining agreement, shall be forfeited unless used within one (1) year of the date the compensatory time is accrued. If additional information is needed, please contact the Office of Labor Relations at Extension 3019.

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